

## Membership Newsletter



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### From the Desk of the BCMC President

First and foremost, I pray this newsletter finds you and your family healthy and safe in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. This challenging time has certainly pushed the limits on what we once thought to be “the norm” and has without a doubt upended our lives to some degree. Yet in the midst of COVID-19, BCMC has managed to progress in many ways. Our website is up and running, we have a new logo and vision, we’ve elected a new member to the Board of Directors, and we continue to produce quality programming for broadcasting! As we wait to hear back from the City on how we will move new programming to our channel, I’m encouraged to hear that many of you are continuing to find new ways to produce and promote your shows!

On behalf of the Board, I would like to extend our support of your continued efforts and thank you for your patience.

Thanks for your continued support! **YOUR CHANNEL. YOUR VOICE.**

In your service,

*V. Helena Yancey*

BCMC Board President

#### [Membership Fee Payments Extended Thru July](#)

In light of the growing impact COVID-19 has had on many of us financially, we temporarily suspended producer fee payments thru July. All members with payments due in the months of March thru June were able to delay payment until July. You may now submit your payments electronically via our website (for a fee) or you may mail the payment to our **BCMC Office at 2614 Kenhill Drive, Suite 107, Bowie, MD 20715 Attn: Kelly Fagan**. If you would like to request another payment extension, please contact Kelly Fagan at [kelly@mybowietv.org](mailto:kelly@mybowietv.org).

#### [BCMC Board Member at Large Election Results](#)

We would like to thank all who participated in the election of our newest Board member during our rescheduled virtual annual meeting held on June 18. We had two very able and accomplished BCMC members run and would like to congratulate **Darius Stanton** who won by 11 votes. We would like to again thank **Jason Mangen** for running and look forward to working with him on future projects.

## Results of By-Law Amendment Adoption

Below is a listing of the results of By-Law changes that were voted on at the June 18 Rescheduled Annual meeting. As you can see, there was overwhelming approval of all of the proposed changes that were sent out to membership prior to the meeting for review. To obtain another copy of the proposed changes, please contact Kelly.

D - approved 15-1 abstain  
E - approved 15 - 1 no  
F - approved 16  
G - approved 14 -1 -1  
H - approved 14 - 1 -1  
I - approved 15 -1 abstain

## Online Editing Courses – Adobe Premiere

For those interested in taking an **online course on Adobe Premiere and other production applications**, go to [www.lynda.com](http://www.lynda.com) for more information and to register. First 30-days are free. The courses will certainly help you in navigating a copy of Adobe Premiere, which you can find available for download at [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com).

## BCMC Membership Handbook Committee

We are seeking volunteers to serve on the **Membership Handbook Committee**. This committee will review a draft of our proposed handbook and provide feedback and revisions for Board review and issuance. It is anticipated we will hold a total of three meeting sessions to flush out the details to produce a final draft. If interested, please contact me at [producer@writershavenshow.com](mailto:producer@writershavenshow.com).

## Virtual Cocktails & Conversations – Scheduled for September

Stay tuned for more information about our 2<sup>nd</sup> Cocktails & Conversations event where we will talk shop about what's trending in the industry!

## BCMC Board Members

**Vice President – Pauline Markward**  
**Treasurer – Ray Williams**  
**Secretary – George Wood**  
**Member-at-Large – Darius Stanton**

## BCMC Website

**Our new website is up and running** at [www.bcmctv.org](http://www.bcmctv.org). If you have not submitted your show summary or producer profile, please contact Kelly for the submission template. The temporary producer portal password is **#1BCMCPPro**. (Password should not be shared with non-members/producers)

## Stage 2 – Reopening of Kenhill Center & City Studio

We anticipated providing an update to membership on the City's plans to allow us to submit shows for broadcast and to use equipment for remote shoots, however, as noted above, we are still working through the planning stages with them. Once we've worked out plans for engagement, we will immediately provide this information to members/producers. Thanks again for your patience.

## Secretary Sez...

This section is brought to you by our **BCMC Secretary, George Wood**, and provides helpful tidbits of information taken directly from the 2019 Producer's Handbook.

Producers are responsible for obtaining written permission for the use of all copyright protected content including pictures, video clips and music in their programs from the copyright holders. Failure to adhere to this policy is a serious violation of the rules, and may result in the suspension of all member privileges and possibly expulsion of the member from BCMC.

Programs that incorporate examples of music recordings (including CDs) and music videos, books, movies, videogames, etc. as supporting evidence within the context of a discussion or critical assessment are acceptable provided the incorporated material does not exceed 75% of total program content.

Any reference to the product (name of song, artist, recording company and name of CD, for example) must be credited during the use of such content and listed in the closing credits.

